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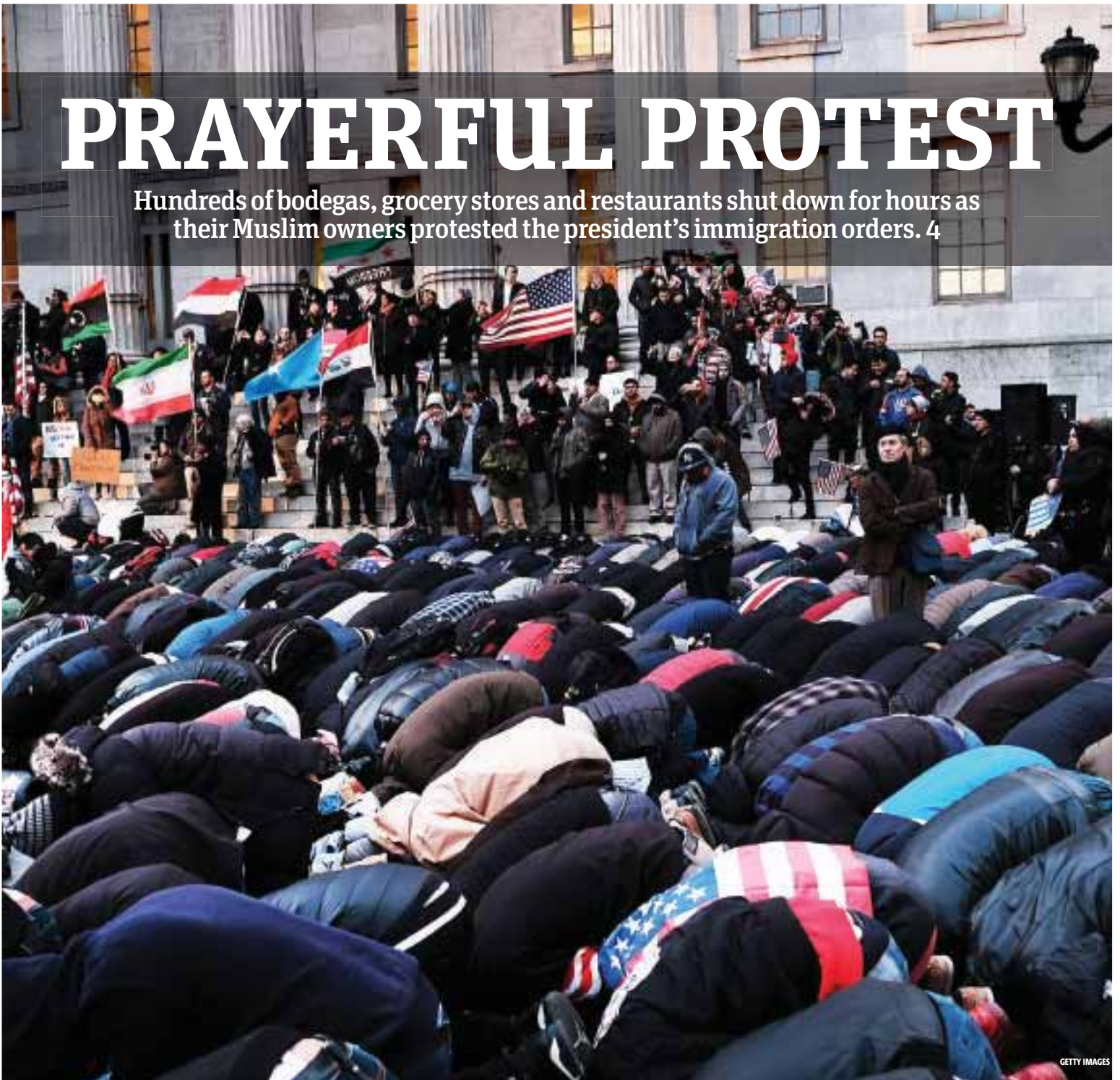
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President Donald Trump is poised to impose new sanctions on multiple Iranian entities, seeking to ratchet up pressure on Tehran while crafting a broader strategy to counter what he sees as its destabilizing behavior, people familiar with the matter said. In the first tangible action against Iran since Trump took office on Jan. 20, the administration, on the same day he insisted that "nothing is off the



table," prepared to roll out new measures against more than two dozen Iranian targets, the sources said. The announcement is expected as early as Friday, they said. The new sanctions may mark the leading edge of a more aggressive policy against Iran that Trump promised during the 2016 presidential campaign, the sources said. **REUTERS**

US HOPES TO HAVE WALL FINISHED IN TWO YEARS

Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly said on Thursday he hoped to have a wall along the southern U.S. border with Mexico finished within two years, according to an interview with Fox News. "The wall will be built where it's needed first, and then it will be filled in. That's the way I look at it," Kelly said in the interview. "I really hope to have it done within the next two years." He



added he thought funding from Congress for the massive project would come "relatively quickly." **REUTERS**

SNAP MAKES \$3 BILLION IPO DETAILS PUBLIC

Snap Inc., owner of popular messaging service Snapchat, made many of its financial details public for the first time as it prepared to raise up to \$3 billion in an initial public offering. The Los Angeles-based company said it generated \$404.5 million in sales in 2016, up from \$58.7 million in 2015. It had a net loss of \$514.6 million in 2016, up from a net loss of \$372.9 million in 2015. Snap



expects to go public as soon as March and could be valued at between \$20 billion and \$25 billion, sources familiar with the situation have said. That would give the company the richest valuation in a U.S. technology IPO since Facebook Inc. Snap said it will list on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker "SNAP." **REUTERS**

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US AIRLINE CEOS ASK TO MEET WITH TILLERSON

The CEOs of the three airlines have asked to meet with Secretary of State Rex Tillerson to discuss allegations that Gulf states are unfairly subsidizing state-owned carriers, driving down prices and crowding out competition on key routes, accusations those carriers deny. The chief executives of American Airlines Group Inc., United Continental Holdings Inc and Delta Air Lines Inc asked for the meeting in a let-

ter posted on the website of the U.S. airlines-backed Partnership for Open & Fair Skies. "We are writing to bring to your attention an issue of utmost importance to the future of our industry: the massive subsidization of three state-owned Gulf carriers — Qatar Airways, Etihad Airways and Emirates — and the significant harm this subsidized competition is causing to U.S. airlines and U.S. jobs," the letter said. **REUTERS**

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Yemeni-owned bodegas, businesses strike to protest Trump travel ban

The protesters gathered in Brooklyn for a rally and call to prayer.



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About 1,000 delis and grocers that city-dwellers rely on shuttered for eight hours Thursday as many Yemeni business owners headed to Brooklyn for a 5,000-strong rally against President Donald Trump's order to ban travel to and from seven Muslim countries, including Yemen.

"I've been here since 2 p.m.," Abdulwahab Alomavi, 19, told Metro at Brooklyn Borough Hall, three hours early for the rally. "I wanted to see everyone coming together and show that the United States is the land of freedom."

American and Yemeni flags floated together above a mass of immigrant New Yorkers gathered for speeches and prayer. As the sun began to set, the Muslim men arranged themselves in orderly rows facing Mecca to bow and kneel in prayer in a striking demonstration of solidarity.



Thousands of protesters gathered outside Brooklyn Borough Hall. BESS ADLER

There are approximately 6,000 Yemeni-owned businesses in New York City, organizers of the protest said. While many remained open through the strike because they couldn't afford to lose the business, their sentiments — and some of their staff — were with demonstrators.

"It's our right to protest against discrimination of religion and race,"

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Hamzah Aljahmi

said Hamzah Aljahmi, 25. "Trump doesn't know how to be a president. We're asking him to act like a president, to see us together and to remove the ban."

Aljahmi started the visa process a year ago to get his mother into the U.S. for specialized medical attention.

His family owns four grocery stores on Coney

Island, none of which closed during superstorm Sandy, all of which were shuttered today, for the "first time I can remember," he said.

Miriam Schwartz, an Orthodox Lubavitch woman from Crown Heights, was tearing up as she witnessed the protest.

"I feel horrible for these hard-working people, running away from

wars. It's disgusting the way he [Trump] is discriminating against brown people," she said. "It feels like the holocaust."

"And it's giving ammunition to the jihadists."

Public officials including Borough President Eric Adams and Public Advocate Letitia James roared for peace and an end to the ban at the rally.

"Today I am Yemeni," Adams said.

Trump says travel ban ensures religious tolerance in US

President Donald Trump defended his order to temporarily bar entry to people from seven majority-Muslim nations, which has come under intense criticism at home and abroad, saying on Thursday it was crucial to ensuring religious freedom and tolerance in America.

Trump, speaking at a prayer breakfast attended by politicians, faith leaders and guests including Jordan's King Abdullah, said he wanted to prevent a "beachhead of intolerance" from spreading in the United States.

"The world is in trouble, but we're going to straighten it out, OK? That's what I do - I fix things," Trump said in his speech.



President Donald Trump meets with executives and union representatives from the Harley Davidson company at the White House on Thursday in Washington, D.C. GETTY IMAGES

Trump's executive order a week ago put a 120-day halt on the refugee program, barred

Syrian refugees indefinitely and imposed a 90-day suspension on people from seven predomi-

nantly Muslim countries - Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen. The measure, which

Trump says is aimed at protecting the country from terrorist attacks, has drawn protests and legal challenges.

Trump said violence against religious minorities must end. "All nations have a moral obligation to speak out against such violence. All nations have a duty to work together to confront it, and to confront it viciously, if we have to," he said.

The United States has taken "necessary action" in recent days to protect religious liberty in the United States, he said, referring to his immigration action.

Critics of the measure have accused him of violating the constitutional guarantee of religious freedom, because the

designated countries are majority-Muslim, and of slamming the door shut to refugees.

Trump has said the move was necessary to ensure a more thorough vetting of people coming into the United States.

"There are those who would seek to enter our country for the purpose of spreading violence, or oppressing other people based upon their faith or their lifestyle — not right. We will not allow a beachhead of intolerance to spread in our nation," he said.

Trump said his administration's new system would ensure that people entering the United States embrace U.S. values including religious liberty.

REUTERS

Guide to Super Bowl prop bets

History has shown that the Super Bowl is usually a pretty boring football game. This year's matchup between the Atlanta Falcons and the New England Patriots appears better on paper than most, but there is still a good chance that it'll be a stinker. For casual football fans or

those hoping to hedge their bets against a four-hour snoozefest, here are our favorite prop bets—our attempt to help you wager with your friends (or Vegas) and enjoy a little extra entertainment at 6:30 p.m. Sunday on Fox. **EVAN MACY; GRAPHIC BY BILLY BECERRA**

Luke Bryan national anthem length: 2:09

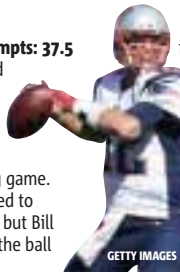
Bryan averages less than this on YouTube, but there is expected to be a jet flyover. This a key influence on the anthem bet. He will have to get his timing perfect and will be singing deliberately and slowly.

Our pick: over



Tom Brady pass attempts: 37.5

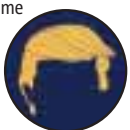
We have encountered an abundance of media covering the Patriots' underrated running game. We don't buy it in the big game. Sure, the Pats will need to be multidimensional, but Bill Belichick won't have the ball



in Dion Lewis' hands when it matters most. We see Brady throwing and completing a bevy of short passes. He'll throw more than 37. **Our pick: Brady throws a lot**

Mentions of Donald Trump during broadcast: 1.5

The president is reportedly participating in the age-old tradition of pregame interviews. Knowing this president as we do, he will say something outlandish or unusual. He will also be picking the game (we are betting he picks New England). This leads us to believe he will be mentioned by Joe Buck and Troy Aikman more than once.



Our pick: over

Now, finally to the game

The Falcons have one of the five most prolific offenses of all time, and the Patriots' offense is nothing to scoff at — which is why we have the highest over-under in Super Bowl history. We like the under. With two weeks for Bill Belichick to prepare for Atlanta's offense, the Pats defense should be well-prepared. Historically, the best offenses in football have failed in the big game, and more often than not the game fails to reach the over-under mark.

Our pick: under 58 points scored

Higher total: Joel Embiid points + rebounds (+6.5) or first field goal distance

This one is complicated but awesome. Sixers star rookie center Embiid has taken the NBA by storm and has been good for 20 points and nine rebounds, nearly guaranteed. The bet spots Embiid 6.5 to his total (in Miami against the lowly Heat) and compares it to



the length of the first made field goal. The numbers would put that at a 37-yard field goal as the over under. We think the first kick will be a lengthier one, especially indoors in Houston.

The pick: Field goal over Embiid; sorry, Process

Tom Brady for MVP: -110

Brady is the Super Bowl MVP favorite, and it would take a \$110 bet to win \$100 in a bet in Vegas. While the odds for the field are tantalizing (Julio Jones pays \$1,800 on a \$100 bet), Brady has won three of four Super Bowl MVPs in addition

Lady Gaga's hair color: not blond

Handicappers have said this year's halftime show performer will most likely adorn blond hair when she takes the stage. The odds for her hair being any color except blond are 5/2. We like those odds and the possibilities it allows.

Our pick: Gaga goes nonblond

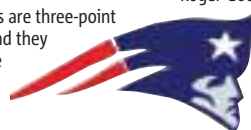


to the four titles he has won. He's had a chip on his shoulder all season, and we don't see him being stopped by Atlanta.

The pick: No. 4 for No. 12

Who wins?

The Patriots are three-point favorites and they have all the experience — plus



a much better defense. The Falcons have never won a Super Bowl and haven't been to one since Dirty Bird Jamal Anderson more than a decade-and-a-half ago. The NFL is due for the karmic moment that will see Roger Goodell handing the

Lombardi Trophy to Robert Kraft. We like the Patriots to cover the spread.

The pick: Patriots, -3

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Groundhog Day 2017: Did Staten Island Chuck see his shadow?

Punxsutawney Phil who? Staten Island Chuck is New York's own weather prognosticator.

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Looks like New York can expect an early spring, according to New York City's official groundhog meteorologist.

Staten Island Chuck made his 2017 weather prediction live from the Staten Island Zoo on Thursday morning, a tradition since 1981.

Chuck, however, is not in agreement with Punxsutawney Phil, who has been predicting since 1886 in Pennsylvania. Phil saw his shadow this morning, which means six more weeks of winter, the legend says.

Chuck vs. NYC mayors

Fear not, animal activists: Chuck was in the hands of Public Advocate Letitia James, not Mayor Bill de Blasio, who skipped the ceremony for the second year in a row.

The mayor caused



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a firestorm after he dropped Chuck's stand-in — his granddaughter, Charlotte — in 2014 when she tried to crawl up his arm.

Days later, Charlotte died from "acute internal injuries," the New York Post reported, though the zoo denied de Blasio played a part in her death.

"New Yorkers should be pleased to know that Chuck will be in safe and steady hands," James said in a statement

before the event.

City mayors have not had a good track record with Chuck. Former Mayor Michael Bloomberg did not attend the ceremony five times during his 12 years in office.

One time that he did, in 2009, the rodent bit him, perhaps to let him know what he thought of his absences? According to the Post, Bloomberg called Chuck a "little son of a bitch" after the bite heard 'round the city.

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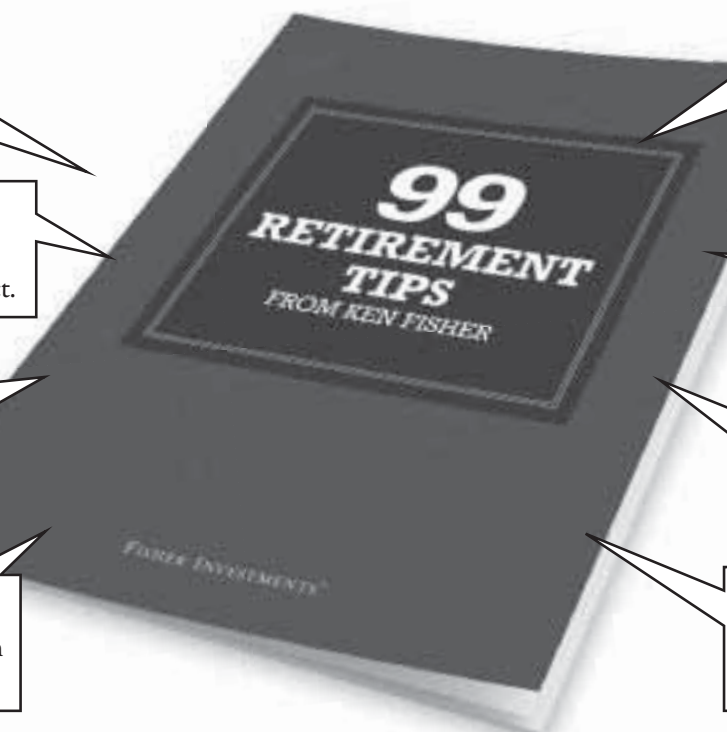
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Trump threatens UC Berkeley after protests

Trump's threat in a tweet provoked a response from California lawmakers, who in discussions on the floor of the state senate called it distasteful and an abuse of power.

President Donald Trump threatened on Thursday to cut funding to the University of California at Berkeley after protesters smashed windows and set fires at the school, forcing the cancellation of an appearance by a far-right Breitbart News editor.

"If U.C. Berkeley does not allow free speech

and practices violence on innocent people with a different point of view - NO FEDERAL FUNDS?" Trump wrote on Twitter at 6:13 a.m. EST.

It was not immediately clear what action Trump could take without authorization from Congress, or without risking legal action.

In California, a mostly

Democratic state where lawmakers have already begun preparing legislation to combat Trump's policies on immigration and climate change, the response was swift.

"To have the man at the helm of the most powerful nation of the world tweeting and threatening the University of California and



The protest got out of control as masked groups of people with long iron sticks intervene and cause damage to the windows of banks and shops at Sproul Hall in Berkeley, California, on Thursday. GETTY IMAGES

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talking about withholding funds, that's unique and I find that very distasteful," said Senate leader Kevin de Leon, a Los Angeles Democrat.

Lawmakers said they would look into whether President Trump could actually take funds from the university which receives \$400 to \$450 million in funding for research annually. In 2016, the university also received \$216 million in federal student aid, a legislative official said.

"All we have to go on now is another angry tweet," said Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, a Democrat from the Los Angeles suburb of Paramount.

He said lawmakers would continue to seek ways to protect the state, a Democratic stronghold where voters went two-to-one for Trump's opponent, Hillary Clinton in the November, 2016 election.

"We have been having ongoing discussions on how to protect California from potential harm from the Trump Administration - those discussions will continue," Rendon said.

Trump's tweet came in response to violence that broke out on the University's flagship campus amid demonstrations against the appearance of Milo Yiannopoulos of Breitbart News, the right-wing website formerly headed by presidential adviser Steve Bannon.

On Thursday, Berkeley Chancellor Nicholas Dirks condemned the violence.

"Simply put, President Trump's empty threat to cut funding from UC Berkeley is an abuse of power."

Lee

"Last night the Berkeley campus was invaded by more than 100 armed individuals clad in all black who utilized paramilitary tactics to engage in violent, destructive behavior," Dirks said.

He said the 38,000-student campus, home to the Free Speech Movement of the 1960s, respected Yiannopoulos' right to speak.

U.S. Representative Barbara Lee, a Democrat whose district includes Berkeley, vowed to fight any attempt to slash funding.

According to a Reuters review, the research money received by the university includes \$121 million from the National Science Foundation for scientific research and \$125 million from the Health and Human Services department for health and medical research. It may be difficult for Trump to cut off this money, as much of it is awarded through a competitive process that evaluates projects based on scientific merit.

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Uber CEO quits Trump's business advisory group

Social media campaigns had targeted Uber, urging users to delete accounts and opt for rival Lyft Inc. Uber has been emailing users who deleted their accounts to say it shares their concerns and will compensate drivers affected by the ban.

Uber Technologies Inc. Chief Executive Officer Travis Kalanick, facing criticism from immigration advocates for serving on President Donald Trump's business advisory group, quit the group on Thursday, the company said.

The CEO of the ride-hailing service had been under mounting



Travis Kalanick GETTY IMAGES

pressure from activists who oppose the administration's immigration policies. Critics included Uber drivers, many of whom are immigrants themselves.

"Joining the group was not meant to be an endorsement of the president or his agenda but unfortunately it has been misinterpreted to be exactly that," Kalanick, who had planned

to attend a meeting of the group on Friday, said in an email to staff that was seen by Reuters.

Uber spokeswoman Chelsea Kohler later confirmed that he had left the group.

Kalanick said he spoke briefly to Trump about the immigration order "and its issues for our community" and told the president he would not join the eco-

nomic council.

The CEO came under increasing pressure to leave the council after Trump issued an executive order temporarily barring people from seven majority-Muslim nations from entering the United States.

"There are many ways we will continue to advocate for just change on immigration but staying on the council was going to get in the way of that. The executive order is hurting many people in communities all across America," he wrote in a note to employees. "Families are being separated, people are stranded overseas and there's a growing fear the U.S. is no longer a place that welcomes immigrants."

The White House did not immediately respond to a request for comment. REUTERS

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In "The Comedian," Leslie Mann plays a down-and-out woman who befriends Robert De Niro's Jackie, a former sitcom star who's struggling to get by. SONY PICTURES CLASSICS

Robert De Niro and Leslie Mann talk "The Comedian" and trying to stay sane.



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You know who's been funny these last few months? Robert De Niro. Before the election, the serious, two-time Oscar-winner went viral with a deeply cathartic video in which he angrily railed against now President Donald Trump, calling him "stupid," "a bulls— artist," "a mutt" and many other things. The night before the inauguration, he participated in a Central Park protest, where he read fake Trump tweets. He should do stand-up.

We at least get to see him do that in "The Comedian." In the new dramedy, he plays Jackie, a former sitcom star who's fallen on hard times. While doing

community service at a soup kitchen (long story), he befriends Leslie Mann's Harmony, a volatile woman in her own bad patch.

De Niro and Mann spoke to us about the importance of comedy right now, fearing stand-up and dealing with PC culture.

Speaking of comedy, Mr. De Niro, you got a lot of laughs speaking at the anti-Trump protest the other week.

Leslie Mann: I didn't see that!

Robert De Niro: It was me saying, very simply, "F— you." [Laughs]

I didn't check to see if Trump actually sent retaliatory tweets, like he does to people like Meryl Streep who criticize him.

Mann: Such a douche-bag.

Comedy is really important now, because it's therapeutic and

a good way of combating Trump's actions, keeping them in the conversation.

Mann: It's good to

find a funny angle on things, even though things are so awful. You need to find a way to laugh at it.

Judd [Apatow, her husband] does that. He does stand-up, and he talks



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Politically incorrect

De Niro's character is an insult comic, and his jokes are very un-PC. As a progressive liberal, I feel that we as a society can be a bit too touchy at times.

Mann: At Crossroads, where my kids go to school, they teach them about "microaggressions." They can't say anything. Everything offends someone. They feel trapped. They're not able to express their thoughts because they're afraid of offending someone.

How do they deal with it?

Mann: They just get mad about it [laughs] — but at home.

about Trump in a way that says exactly how he feels, but is also really funny. I guess it's an easier pill to swallow.

De Niro: I agree. What Alec Baldwin does is great. I read a story by this guy Eliot Cohen in The Atlantic. He was an adviser to Condoleezza Rice. He pretty much sums up how outrageous this whole thing is, what this guy has done, how he lies, every offense.

If you've ever seen a comic completely bomb before, it's one of the most painful things you can witness. It seems terrifying to go on stage.

De Niro: It's hard. You have to have the right material. I worked on this material, but it wasn't like I worked on it for years and had it all there. I don't know how to deal with a heckler. That takes a lot of experience. I did OK [chuckles], but you just have to get through it.



"I Am Not Your Negro"

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"I Am Not Your Negro" is the movie of the moment. That's a line you hear a lot these days. But if any movie truly speaks forcefully to what's happening in America now, it's a doc that includes the words, "I began to suspect white people did not act as they did because they were white, but for some other reason." That's not a line from a think piece just posted into your Facebook feed. It's from "The Devil Needs Work," James Baldwin's book-length essay, written in 1976.

The depressing relevance of Baldwin's honest, eloquent, witty work

is the subject of Raoul Peck's "I Am Not Your Negro." It's no primer nor a thorough biography. It's a film essay, pairing his words (read by a subdued Samuel L. Jackson) with images from the civil rights era and Black Lives Matter protests alike.

Baldwin, who died in 1987, never minced words, endlessly pointing out that to be black in America is to always feel threatened, that prosperous white culture was built upon a foundation of black misery. But he was gentle, too. "I Am Not Your Negro" is the same way. It makes you realize that we're going to need a lot of Baldwin over the next four to eight years. **MATT PRIGGE**

"The Space Between Us"

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Sweet, earnest and kind of lame, "The Space Between Us" is a sci-fi/road movie/coming-of-age saga/love story that's also sometimes a fish-out-of-water comedy. It tries so hard that you want to hug it and not tell it what you really think. At least it's nice?

Asa Butterfield plays Gardner, a boy with a complicated backstory: He was born in space, while his mother was en route to colonize Mars. For tangled medical reasons, he can never, ever, ever set foot on Earth, or he will die. But his guardians let him go anyway. Once

here, he's immediately deported — joke. No, he runs off with an internet friend (Britt Robertson) to see the country, even though, again, he will die.

"Space" does have a vaguely pleasant "Starman"-knockoff vibe, and Butterfield is affable, especially whenever he fumbles about, trying to figure out how these alien humans behave. Still, it does very little with its imaginative premise and the sins (like an embarrassingly shouty Gary Oldman turn) pile up. We hope this won't dissuade studios from funding future sci-fi movies grounded in reality, even a reality where the characters act idiotically. OK, maybe not that last part. **MP**



"War on Everyone"

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"War on Everyone" is a bad cops comedy with a difference. That's not because our anti-heroes — cheerfully slimy detectives Terry (Alexander Skarsgard) and Bob (Michael Pena) — don't have a third act about-face. Nor is it because their antics go miles above the law.

What's unique is its voice. It's the latest from John Michael McDonagh ("The Guard," "Cavalry"), and you can tell: It's lousy with his gift for wordplay, his yen for nasty hairpin turns, his way of doodling with philosophy in a way that's half a joke, half sincere. It might even be profound, but only at the

end, and only in the most furtive, least pretentious way possible.

It's part throwback, part parody, like a wilder "The Nice Guys" directed like the video for The Beastie Boys' "Sabotage." The plot finds our rep-robates trying to bust a crooked businessman (Theo James), but it's just an excuse for a 30-car pileup of offenses. Terry and Bob spend the film framing suspects, boozing on the clock and spending shootouts hiding behind innocent bystanders. They even name-drop Simone de Beauvoir, Andre Breton and Susan Faludi, which is both funny and a sign that, if you look closely, it might have more on its mind. **MP**

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Robert De Niro plays a mean-spirited insult comic trying to get back on top in "The Comedian." SONY PICTURES CLASSICS

"The Comedian"

Director: Taylor Hackford
Stars: Robert De Niro, Leslie Mann

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What would Martin Scorsese have made of "The Comedian"? It isn't mere idle speculation: He was, many years ago, in talks to direct this character study, which trails a stubborn, floundering former sitcom star and present-day has-been stand-up (Robert De Niro). Instead the reins went to the less capable Taylor Hackford, a filmmaker with no discernible voice, whose CV includes the grounded "An Officer and a Gentleman" and the OTT "The Devil's Advocate." "The Comedian" is a slippery beast that requires a steady hand. Hackford has

no idea what to do with a movie about a stubborn jerk that's also supposed to be a laugh riot.

The result is a shambles, which is to say it has some promising ideas. Our antihero's a fascinating creature, for one. De Niro's Jackie isn't like another sitcom roadkill, "BoJack Horseman." Jackie doesn't hate himself; if anything he's too proud. He's spent a life burning untold bridges, and when he tries to re-enter the limelight, he torches some more. He is good at his job, though — or so we're led to think. This is one of those movies where people are constantly telling our hero how great he is, abetted by constant cutaways to cackling audience members.

Presumably "The Comedian" began as a dirty

'70s throwback, but it wound up, over the years, adopting some moves from modern ad-lib-heavy comedy, too. One scene you're supposed to hate Jackie; the next he's simply incorrigible!

Only the movie's B Plot — Jackie's not-quite-romance with a volatile woman (Leslie Mann) — is the right kind of messy. Finally getting a chance to play outside the Apatow or Apatow-lite universe, Mann takes a sketchily-written character and makes her thrillingly unpredictable. But even she can't save this rickety ship. Rupert Pupkin, De Niro's sociopathic stand-up from "The King of Comedy," may have had weaker material than Jackie does, but there's no question who got the better film. **MATT PRIGGE**

"Dark Night"

Director: Tim Sutton
Stars: Anna Rose Hopkins, Robert Jumper

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In "Dark Night," America is a ticking time bomb. Inspired by, but

not a recreation of, the 2012 Aurora, Colorado, shooting in a theater showing "The Dark Knight Rises," Tim Sutton's art film-cum-thriller observes six Sarasota, Florida, strangers in the lead-up to a massacre.

One of them may be the killer, but maybe all of them could be, if this were another day. The killer's motives are never explained; the film is more interested in diagnosing a country. What it finds are denizens

who are easily bored, easily wooed by impossible dreams; their access to much-needed health care has nothing on their access to guns.

That makes "Dark Night" sound like an issue film, a think piece in movie form, a "movie of the moment." That it's none of these things is a small miracle. It's a languorous dream that might be a nightmare, slow and soothing but always on edge. Everyone's vaguely discontented, and the tone is vaguely haunted. Sometimes Sutton overplays his hand, lets slip some cheap motivation or preachy commentary. Mostly

he's removed and empathetic, offering a view of the American suburbs filled with discontented people who may, given the right chance, destroy it from within. Sutton's

film may be about rampant gun violence, but it gets at something deeper about national problems that, in November, just got worse.

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Tim Sutton's "Dark Night" was inspired by, but is not a recreation of, the 2012 Aurora, Colorado, massacre in a movie theater showing "The Dark Knight Rises." CINELICIOUS

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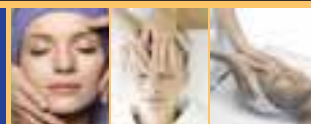
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Kathryn Hahn does the Super Bowl



Kathryn Hahn talks "Bad Moms 2," "I Love Dick" and her Super Bowl spot for Febreze. DIANE BONDAREFF/INVISION FOR FEBREZE

The "Bad Moms" actress is the voice behind a commercial on Sunday about smelly bathroom breaks.

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While you're watching the game this Sunday, you might catch a new commercial that's basically about taking a dump during halftime. It comes from Febreze's new OdorClear, and the tagline is "I love you, halftime bathroom break, but sometimes you stink."

The comically somber voice delivering that line is actress Kathryn Hahn, who you'll hear in a few Febreze spots declaring #odorodes to the things in life that we love (the couch the dog has dirtied, the basement guest bathroom) despite their stench.

While the 43-year-old is new to voice-over work — she jokes that she did her best Ken Burns impression for the campaign — as an actress she's known equally for her dramatic and comedic turns: as the graceful and reserved Rabbi Raquel from the Emmy-award winning "Transparent" or the

over-the-top Carla in "Bad Moms."

She stars in another joint from "Transparent" creator Jill Soloway: "I Love Dick," which premiered at Sundance and streams this May (you can watch the pilot on Amazon Prime now).

We caught up with the L.A. resident to chat about whether Rabbi Raquel will be back on "Transparent," the "Bad Moms" sequel, and why she's not on social media.

What's it like going from "Transparent" to "I Love Dick"?

It's the same family, same crew, but the material — [my character]

Chris Kraus is such a different bird than Rabbi Raquel. But that's why I wanted to be an actor in the first place.

As an actress, would you say that your roots are in comedy?

Not at all. I never took a sketch class, I never took an improv class. I was a big theater nerd, I just wanted to do plays. I was playing Ma Joad in "Grapes of Wrath" in undergrad. [Laughs] I never thought that it would be comedy. I was always the class clown I guess, but I never

— the idea of trying to be funny is a nightmare to me. I guess I'm just a weirdo enough, if I ground it in some sort of reality, it works. But I love to do it all.

Soloway said at Sundance that "I Love Dick" is about "the invention of the female gaze." Watching the pilot, it was hard to tell whether your character is empowered, or rendered powerless by her desire for Dick (Kevin Bacon). I think she's pushing through her desire, owning her desire. In her obsession, I think she realizes that it's not about him at all, and her desire and artistic expression are tied in the same thing. [At the same time] it's so human that the people who are sometimes the worst to us are the most attractive.

the mikvah and out of the cistern. But, we've not seen the end of the rabbi, for sure, no. But I definitely think that we needed a breather after the end of last season; she was pretty devastated.

And you have the "Bad Moms" sequel coming up.

Yeah! We were all really surprised and so thrilled. It just affirmed our spidey sense that there is an audience for this kind of movie, and that the mommas (not just the mommas) were excited to have something to see. When we heard the germ of the idea, that it's going to be Christmas-themed, we were like, "Ah of course." There's not another time of year that women are more expected to make magic happen while they're flipping out, stressing out trying to get stuff done.

On a personal note: We noticed you're not on social media.

I just got an iPhone, I'm a step behind. But I'm really protective of it, I really like not having it. I like the nonaccess. For me personally, my life as a mom, I don't know what I would gain from it. I do go on it, though! There's a line in "Afternoon Delight" [the 2013 Jill Soloway film starring Hahn] where Rachel says, "I'm not on Twitter, but I lurk."

And she gets drunk and she's like, "What even is the cloud?"

I'm still, meanwhile, confused about the cloud. [Laughs]



We have to ask: Will we see Rabbi Raquel in "Transparent" Season 4? I don't know about Season 4, because she's submerged in Marfa, Texas, for a second. [Laughs] She went into



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10 Storylines to watch for when Super Bowl LI kicks off Sunday

Tom Brady has a lot to play for. Can the Falcons slow him down?



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Another new year, another Super Bowl. Every year there's a bevy of on- and off-field storylines that encapsulate the enormous audience viewing the biggest game of the year around the globe.

Without further ado, here are the top 10 things we'll be thinking about when the AFC and NFC champions do battle for the 51st time Sunday:

1 Tom Brady's revenge tour

Tom Brady's year: He lost an appeal for his four-game Deflategate suspension. He sat out for four games. He led the Patriots to an 11-1 mark and threw 28 touchdowns and just two interceptions and played with a vengeance — at 39 years old — previously unseen in the NFL. Only one hurdle remains for Brady to proclaim victory over all of his naysayers: a fifth Super Bowl title.

2 Goodell vs. Kraft

Roger Goodell is the man who suspended Brady. He's the com-

missioner who took New England's 2016 first round pick away and fined the team \$1 million. After years of friendship with Patriots' owner Robert Kraft, the NFL's CEO has yet to attend a Pats home game in the wake of Deflategate souring the relationship between the two. If New England wins Sunday night, Goodell will have to give the Lombardi trophy to Kraft in front of millions of viewers. Reality TV at its finest.

3 Hotlanta history

Lest we forget New England's opposition, the Falcons have statistically put together one of the best offenses in NFL history and are looking for their first Super Bowl title. The Atlanta Braves' 1995 World Series win is the only championship the city has ever celebrated, and they have one Super Bowl loss to their record (1998 to the Broncos). A starved fan base will be hanging onto every play in Super Bowl LI.

4 Matty Ice's ultimate test

Many expect Atlanta QB Matt Ryan to be the NFL's MVP (it will be announced Saturday) and regardless of whether he takes home the hardware, he's pieced together an incred-



Devonta Freeman and Julio Jones could be explosive and swing the game in Atlanta's favor if they aren't kept in check. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

ible season where he fell just 54 yards shy of 5,000 yards passing with a TD-INT ratio of 39-to-7. How will he handle the spotlight?

5 The offenses

Sunday night's game has the highest over-under ever, handicapped at 58 points. This is due to the Falcons, who led the NFL in the regular season with 33.8 points per game and were second in yards with 415, also sporting what would be the worst rated defense ever to win the Super Bowl. New England's offense is third in points and fourth in yardage.

6 Halting Julio

If Falcons wide receiver Julio Jones catches a 9-yard slant with room to move this weekend, watch out. The speedy wideout has incredible hands and compiled 1,409 yards during the regular season. His running back teammate Devonta Freeman is also a huge

offensive threat, having put together 1,079 rushing yards, 11 TD and 462 receiving yards in 2016.

7 Overcoming inexperience

The Patriots have been to six Super Bowls since 2001 and have won four. The Falcons have been to one — and lost — before most of the 2017 team's roster finished elementary school. Will the bright lights of the Super Bowl be a distraction?

8 Shanahan's focus

Speaking of distractions, Atlanta's offensive coordinator Kyle Shanahan lost (and later found) his playbook. Is he putting the cart before the horse? The talented coach will call the shots himself in San Francisco next season and is assembling a staff at the same time he is preparing for the Super Bowl. His focus will be critical Sunday.

9 Trump card

The new president

has been unable to stay out of the news for two consecutive hours since he took office. His Bill O'Reilly interview will air on Fox before the Super Bowl and he'll also be, reportedly, part of the pregame. Will he pick the Patriots? Will he say something offensive or outlandish?

10 The legacy

If Tom Brady wins his fifth career Super Bowl he'll surpass Joe Montana for the most ever. Will he and Belichick cement their names atop the GOAT (greatest of all time) discussion with a win in SB LI?



If the Pats win, things could get awkward.

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High-octane offenses collide in Houston for Super Bowl LI, as Tom Brady and the Patriots square off with Matt Ryan and the Falcons. Brady is in search of his fifth Super Bowl ring, while Ryan seeks his first ring and the first NFL Championship for the city of Atlanta.

The Patriots bring a fairly sturdy defense with them to Houston; they allowed just

15.7 PPG during the regular season (no team allowed fewer), and a total of 33 points in the two playoff games they've been involved in. And while Atlanta's defense has improved somewhat since September, they were still ranked in the bottom-third by PPG (24.8) during the regular season. They held Seattle and Green Bay's offenses in check in the first half of their games with them this January but face a tall order trying to stymie Tom Brady away from the Georgia Dome.

Atlanta primarily got to Aaron Rodgers through the blitz in the NFC Championship Game. It's well-known that Brady thrives when opposing defenses blitz

him, and Atlanta's front four doesn't possess the threat that Denver did when they knocked Brady around in last year's conference title clash. Furthermore, the Patriots led the NFL in YAC (yards after catch) during the regular season, while the Falcons were the worst defense by YAC allowed in that span, so expect Julian Edelman and Chris Hogan to be highly productive in this one.

And even without Rob Gronkowski for most of the season, New England was still among the most efficient teams in the red zone (ninth at a 63.7 percent TD rate). Conversely, Atlanta's defense put up all the resistance of a wet



Which quarterback will carry his team to a Super Bowl title? GETTY IMAGES

paper bag when playing under the shadow of their own goalposts (72 percent TD rate, worst in the league).

Ryan and company had a similar regular season red zone TD rate (63.2 percent), but New England's defense was much stronger at combating opposing offenses with the backs

against the wall than Atlanta's (50 percent TD rate, seventh-best in football).

But the Falcons will face difficulty even getting to red zone on Sunday. The Patriots were third-best in rush defense, meaning Devonta Freeman and Tevin Coleman's contributions could

be limited, especially once they fall behind. The Falcons receiving corps led by Julio Jones will frustrate even the great game-planner Bill Belichick, but New England should be able to make enough stops to secure the win.

Prediction: Patriots 30, Falcons 23

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Plaintiff
AGAINST
Josephine Di Capua a/k/a
Josephine DiCapua, et al,
Defendant

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 11/14/2016 and entered on 12/8/2016, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Queens County Courthouse, 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Courtroom 25, Jamaica, NY on February 24, 2017 at 10:00 AM premises known as 81-66 102nd Avenue a/k/a 102-02 84th Street, Ozone Park, NY 11416. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 9082, LOT: 39. Approximate amount of judgment is \$767,562.97 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 11260/2012. Donna Furey, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 55 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF QUEENS NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC d/b/a CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff AGAINST VICKIE GREENE a/k/a VICKIE L. GREENE, et al., Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 10-28-2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens County Supreme Court, located at 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11435, in Courtroom #25 on 2-24-2017 at 10:00AM, premises known as 106-04 Ruscoe Street, Jamaica, NY 11433. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Queens, County of Queens, City and State of New York, Block 10252, Lot 74. Approximate amount of judgment \$454,679.69 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index#: 707605/2015. Alan Kestenbaum, Esq., Referee Schiller, Knapp, Lefkowitz & Hertz, LLP 950 New Loudon Road, Suite 109 Latham, NY 12110 15-11514

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS

Wells Fargo Bank,
N.A., Plaintiff AGAINST
Randi Koch a/k/a
Randi Sue Koch, as
Proposed Executor
of the Estate of Rita
Lent; Lori Greiner;
et al., Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated October 27, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction the Queens County Courthouse, Courtroom #25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York on February 10, 2017 at 10:00AM, premises known as 209 Beach 16th Street, Far Rockaway, NY 11691. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, Block 15632 Lot 1033. Approximate amount of judgment \$305,188.41 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 701448/2014. Ned Kassman, Esq, Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Blvd. Rochester, NY 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: December 2, 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a license, Number 1299435, for Beer & Wine has been applied for by the undersigned to sell Beer & Wine at retail in a Cafe under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 3570 Broadway, New York, NY 10031, for on-premises consumption. Sugar Hill Bakery LLC.

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NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
US Bank National
Association as trustee for the
Certificateholders CitiGroup
Mortgage Loan Trust Inc.,
Asset-Backed Pass Through
Certificates Series 2007-AMC1,
Plaintiff, AGAINST Petula
Graham; et al., Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated November 14, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens County Courthouse, Courtroom #25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York 11435 on March 3, 2017 at 10:00AM, premises known as 640 Beach 69th Street, Far Rockaway a/k/a Avenue, NY 11692. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of NY, Block 16029 Lot 21. Approximate amount of judgment \$622,321.79 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 701757/2014. Cristina Prieto, Esq, Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: January 3, 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a license, Number 1299450, for Beer, Wine & Liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell Beer, Wine & Liquor at retail in a Restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 169 Sullivan Street, New York, NY 10012, for on-premises consumption. Banter Hospitality Group LLC.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a license, Number 1299505, for Beer, Wine & Liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell Beer, Wine & Liquor at retail in a Hotel under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 318 W 51st Street, New York, NY 10019, for on-premises consumption. Washington Jefferson Hotel LLC.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a license, Serial # 1299924, for Wine & Beer has been applied for by the undersigned to sell Wine & Beer at retail under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 357 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11211. Kings County, for on premise consumption. Nice Boombox LLC.

SUPREME COURT

COUNTY OF QUEENS
CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff - against -
TEEPU KHAN,
et al Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated August 13, 2015, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens County Supreme Courthouse, 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., in Courtroom # 25, Jamaica, NY on March 10, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, being more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of Lockwood Court, distant 365.00 feet westerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly side of Lockwood Court with the westerly side of 104th Street; being a plot 27.50 feet by 80 feet by 27.50 feet by 80.00 feet. Said premises known as 102-07 LOCKWOOD COURT, HOWARD BEACH, NY.

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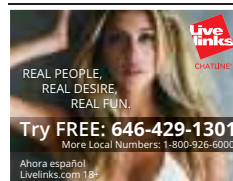
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a license, Serial # 1299573, for Restaurant Wine, Beer & Cider has been applied for by the undersigned to sell Wine, Beer & Cider under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 318 W. 231st Street., Bronx, NY 10463, for on premises consumption. 2898 Hospitality Group Inc. d/b/a Novelty Nachos

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a license, Number 1299517, for Beer, Wine & Liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell Beer, Wine & Liquor at retail in a Hotel under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 228 W 47th Street, New York, NY 10036, for on-premises consumption. 47th Street Management Co LLC.

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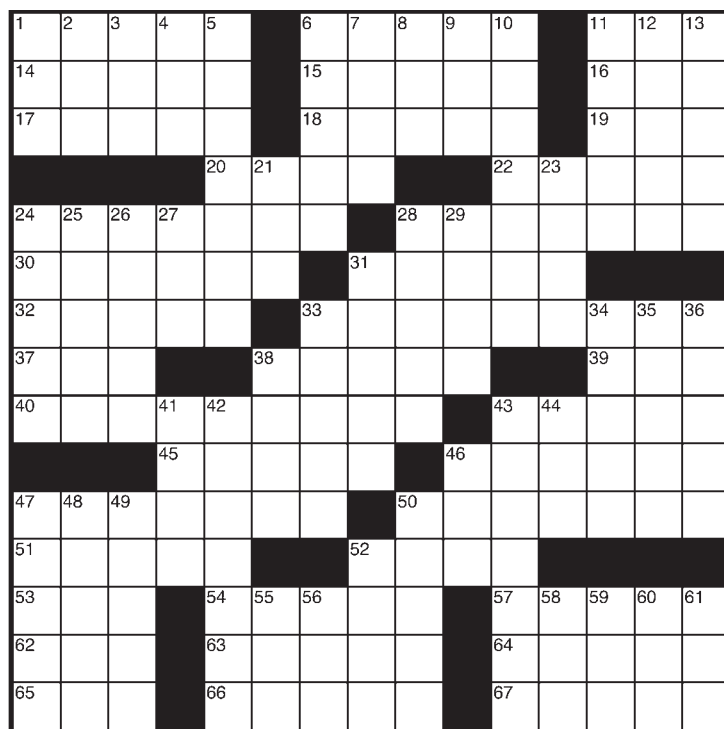
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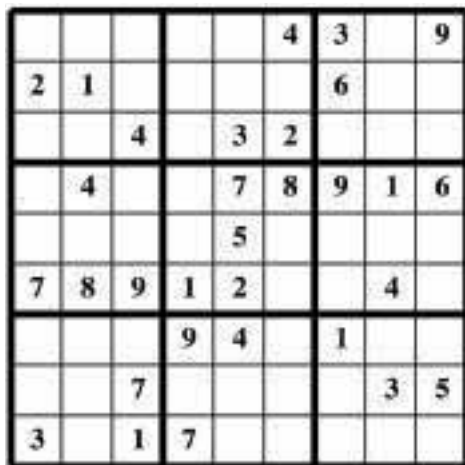
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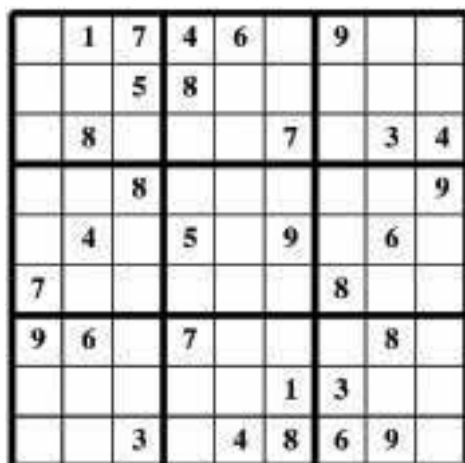


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Virgo Mingle and meet new people. Get involved in pursuits that lead to greater personal growth. Open discussions will influence your future.



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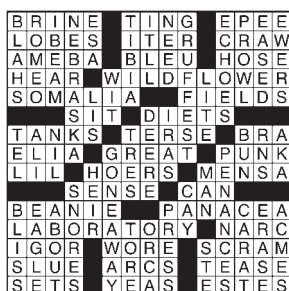


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